Doordarshan Serial 'Andhi Galiyan'

2753. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the regular programme 'Andhi Galiyan" shown on Doordarshan after the 1st part of the Sunday evening Hindi Feature Film-speaks more of the exciting features due to the effect of Drugs-taken by some misguided youth;

(b) whether the serial has been given clearance by the Doordarshan expert committee after going through in detail;

(c) what is the State-wise break up from where T. V. serials are regularly pouring in Doordarshan Central Directorate; and

(d) what is the State-wise break up of acceptance of serials received from there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) As is the case with programmes produced by Doordarshan, 'Andhi Galiyan' has also been cleared for telecast at the appropriate level in the organisation.

(c) and (d) The proposals received for sponsored serials are not classified State-wise but on the basis of their concept and production values.

Accident in Chandrapur Ordance Factory

2754. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an accident had occurred recently in the Chandrapur Ordnance Factory in Maharashtra in which some workers had lost their lives and others had sustained serious injuries;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether any enquiry has been made; if so, with what results;

(d) whether Government have given any cash compensation and provided service to their dependents; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) On 14th February 1987 at about 9.30 A.M., when ammunition was unloaded by workers from a truck in a building in Ordnance Factory Chandrapur an accidental explosion occurred. There were 5 casualties who were rushed to the Civil Hospital Chandrapur for treatment. All possible help to the family as well as to the hospital authorities, including blood donation was arranged by the factory management. Unfortunately, 3 workers *viz.* S/Shri Sakharam Sahare, Battery Truck Driver; Baban Gopal Rao Khanke, Danger Building Worker and Rawanath Kichuji Urkunde, Danger Building Worker died. S/Shri P. R. Deogade, Danger Building Worker and A. P. Dhatrak, Danger Building Worker was seriously injured, but they are reported to be making rapid recovery at the Civil Hospital Chandrapur and are declared out of danger. The factory was closed in the afternoon as a mark of respect to the deceased.

The families of the deceased were visited by the officers of the factory. *Ex-gratia* financial sanction of Rs. 5,000 has been made to the family of each of the deceased. Payment of compensation has also been sanctioned. Assurance of employment to the next-of-kin has been given.

A regular Board of Enquiry has been set up under the Chief Inspector of Military Explosives and with Controller of Safety (Factories) and two Joint General Managers from two Ammunition Factories as members. The Board is expected to submit its findings during this week. No sabotage is suspected.

The labour situation in the factory is normal and production is continuing.